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ATTN: Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the Board
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SUBJECT: **Comment Letter—June 18, 2009 Draft General Permit for Landscape Irrigation Uses of Municipal Recycled Water**

Dear Chair Hoppin and Members of the Board:

Thank you once again for the opportunity to comment on the most recent **Draft General Permit for Landscape Irrigation Uses of Municipal Recycled Water**. Pursuant to our previous letters dated June 26, 2008; April 27, 2009 and May 26, 2009 we note that there yet appears to be a significant divergence between the intent of the legislation prompting this effort to streamline the permit process and facilitate recycled water projects and the resultant regulatory provisions.

With respect to specific issues, we would refer staff again to our most recent letter of May 26, 2009, especially those sections regarding signage, monitoring and reporting. In all other respects the City of San Jose endorses the response of the joint letter sent by CASA, ACWA and WaterReuse.

On a final note, we would like to reiterate our comment from June 26, 2008 to the extent that unless the resultant regulations are demonstrably able to facilitate the permitting of water reuse projects it would seem that the corresponding CEQA documentation would need to be revised to acknowledge the lack of that particular benefit.

Please contact me at 408.363.4721 or eric.rosenblum@sanjoseca.gov if I can be of any further assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Eric Rosenblum", with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

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